CITY OF BETHLEHEM INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

SUBJECT: Request to Include Time for Public Comment on the Pollutant Reduction Plan at

the March 15th, 2022 City Council Meeting

TO: City Council, all members, and Council Solicitor

FROM: Michael Alkhal, P.E., Director of Public Works / City Engineer

DATE: February 18, 2022

As part of the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit, we are required to prepare and implement a Pollutant Reduction Plan (PRP). The purpose of the PRP is to identify Water Quality Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) to reduce sediment loading to impaired local surface waters over a five (5) year time period.

Public Notice of the PRP was advertised on Tuesday, February 22, 2022 and the Plan is available for viewing at City Hall and on the City's website at www.bethlehem-pa.gov/Public-Works/Pollutant-Reduction-Plan. Written comments are being accepted for thirty (30) days from the date of the Public Notice. The City will also accept comments from the public at a public meeting. We request time be allotted for public comment on the PRP at the City Council Meeting on March 15, 2022. All public comments, whether received orally at a public meeting, or written, will be considered in the City's Final PRP submitted to the PA DEP. A copy of the written comments will be attached to the Final PRP submitted to the PA DEP by the City.

Department Head

Copies To: Mayor

Director of Administration Director of Budget and Finance

Law Bureau Purchasing Bureau Controller

Chief of Engineering

Project Manager

Attachment: proposed resolution